port development of ginger based products.

7. Imparting training to growers/agricultural officers on post harvest operations of ginger.

8. Providing subsidy for setting up of quality testing laboratory at expert level.

9. Printing and distribution of promotional literature reciepe cards in markets abroad through international fairs, Indian restaurants, etc.

[*Translation*]

**Assistance for Tribal and Backward Areas Under Centrally Sponsored Schemes**

4681. SHRI DILEEP SINGH BHURIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the assistance provided for development of tribal and backward areas under the Centrally sponsored schemes has been diverted to other activities by the various State Governments during Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the remedial measures taken in the matter?

MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) to (c): No formal Report has been received regarding diversion to funds provided for development of tribal and backward areas to other activities during the 7th Plan period.

[*English*]

**Peace Keeping Operations In Yugoslavia**

4682. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the UN had asked India to participate in the Peace Keeping Operations in Yugoslavia; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MADHAV SINH SOLANKI): (a) and (b) In response to UN's request, India has provided the services of a Lt. General as the Force Commander of the UN Protection Force in Yugoslavia (UNPROFOR).

**Assent to Karnataka Educational Bill, 1983**

4683. SHRI G. MADGOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) when the Karnataka Education Bill, 1983 was received for President's assent; and

(b) when the Bill is likely to be accorded President's assent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) The Karnataka Education Bill, 1983 as passed by the State Legislature and reserved by the Governor for the consideration of the President was received on 16.7.1984.

(b) The Government of Karnataka have been asked to send certain clarifications. The case can be processed further only after these are furnished by the State Government.

**Special Central Assistance to Madhya Pradesh for Tribal Sub-Plan**

4684. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN:
SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have formulated any schemes for the development of tribal areas during Eighth Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the Central assistance provided to each State and the amount spent by them under each scheme during the Seventh Plan, year wise;

(d) whether the amount sanctioned has been fully utilised by the States;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor and the remedial measures taken in this regard; and

(f) the criteria adopted for allocation of Special Central Assistance (SCA) to various States for development of tribals under Tribal Sub-Plan?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a): Yes Sir.

(b): The Schemes include Vocational Training in Tribal areas Ashram school, Girls hostels, Boys hostels, Book banks, support to Tribal Development Corporation etc. are under consideration of the Planning Commission.

(c) and (d): A statement I on Special Central Assistance released to each State and the amount utillised by them in VII Plan is attached.

(e): The schemes are under implementation by the State Governments. The information regarding utilisation of funds is not reported by the State regularly. However, the State Governments have been requested to have concurrent monitoring and evaluation of programmes for proper utilisation of funds. Guidelines have been issued to report information in regard to utilisation of funds to the Ministry of Welfare in time on a regular basis.

(f): The criteria is at Statement-II